



Town of Chase Annual Newsletter

December 2015

Message From Your Board

The final stages for the Stone Barn Park are being completed. The entrance gates proudly stand and greet all who come. As the season closed this year the pavilion neared its final stages. It included new lights and the much anticipated bathrooms. It will be ready for use during our annual picnic and our many rentals next year. Many thanks to Brefco Builders and all the contractors who made this project happen. You will also see several birdhouses along the fence line. This is another project done by our Eagle Scouts which was in addition to the playground area they also worked on. Many thanks to all the Eagle Scouts and their sponsors for these wonderful donations! The sledding hill is in its final stages so watch for opening date details coming soon! As we continue to strive to improve and serve all our residents, watch for another great year in the Town of Chase!

Town Picnic

Come and join us at the annual fundraising picnic for the Chase Stone Barn Park starting at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 11, 2016. This year the town has scheduled a special book signing and power point presentation event from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. featuring Suzi Parron author of Barn Quilts; which will include our very own Chase Stone Barn! Come take a tour of the barn itself to see the restoration work that is done first hand. Enjoy the antique engine/tractor show, karaoke, pony rides, petting zoo, raffle prizes, bake sale, booyah, burgers, and much, much more. Then end the picnic with a bang when American Traditions Fireworks puts on a fabulous fireworks show that you don't want to miss!

Barn Quilt Tour

Join us October 1, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Chase Stone Barn Park this year as we participate as one of three host barns on the Oconto County Barn Quilt Rally tour. This new and exciting event will host a day full of fall fun events for the whole family to enjoy, watch for more information to come as the rally details unfold!

New Town Hall Mailing Address

Another new addition that you will see is an official mailbox at the town hall, please utilize this for any town business. The mailing address is:
8481 County Road S
Pulaski, WI 54162

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**Please continue to Preserve
Our History - Make a Tax
Deductible Donation Today!**

**Make Check or Money Order
Payable to: Town of Chase
Treasurer include memo on
check: Stone Barn Park Fund**

**Send to: Jolene Schwarm,
1330 Haywood Lane, Sobieski,
WI 54171.**

**A receipt will be mailed to
you.**



The outdoor pavilion with bathrooms and lights have been added to the Stone Barn Park this year!



“Future Site of the Chase Stone Barn Park, Venue, and Museum”

TOWN OF CHASE ♦ 8246 Cty S ♦ Pulaski, WI 54162

♦ View our webpage at www.townofchase.org ♦

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Regular Monthly Board Meetings

All Town Board meetings are held at the Chase Town Hall on the 2nd Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. to take care of all town business. Bills are reviewed at 7:00 p.m. If you have any concerns, please call the Clerk at least one week before the meeting to be considered for the agenda. The annual town meeting will be held Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. The annual meeting is what makes town government special. It is your opportunity to meet the town board, socialize with neighbors, hear what is going on in the town, ask questions, or voice any concerns.

Plan Commission Meetings

Plan Commission meetings are held at the Chase Town Hall on the 1st Wednesday after the 1st Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. All persons filing for a rezone, conditional use permit, and certified survey map (CSM), variance, or plat, must bring their petition along with the required fee to the Secretary of the Local Plan Commission, by the 15th of the month in order to be included on the agenda. You will **not** be heard if you are not on the agenda. You will be required to complete a form at that time stating what you plan to do. The fees are as follows: \$150.00 each for a rezone, conditional use permit, variance, and certified survey map (CSM). A plat review is \$500.00. Please contact Secretary Jeanne Wroblewski at 920-822-3362 to be included on the agenda.

Park Commission Meetings

Park Commission meetings are held at the Chase Town Hall on the 1st Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. Please contact the Park Commission Chairman Norb Reinhard Jr. at 920-822-8413 to be included on the agenda.

Election Information

Wisconsin now requires a photo id to vote. In order to receive a ballot for all future elections, voters will be required to show a valid photo ID. A current Wisconsin driver's license is acceptable, and will work for most residents. For those that don't have that there are other forms of acceptable phot ID's – check out www.bringit.wi.gov for the specific or call the Clerk with any questions.

If you are not registered to vote, or have a name or address change since you last registered, you can register in person at the Clerk's office or by mail. Use the Voter Registration Form GAB-131 found on the town website or Voter Information Website: <http://myvote.wi.gov> before the next election. Once the application is complete, mail it to the Clerk's office. Election day, at-the-polls registration is still available for Wisconsin voters, but it's always better to avoid lines and possible confusion by getting registered ahead of time. Be sure to bring proof of residence.

Absentee ballots are available approximately 2-3 weeks before each election. You can either cast your vote at the Clerk's office before the election or request an application for an absentee ballot by mail. Use the Application for Absentee Ballot Form GAB-121 found on the town website or Voter Information Website: <http://myvote.wi.gov>. Once the application is complete, mail it to the Clerk's office.

Town Website/Facebook

Come check out what's up at www.townofchase.org! This site contains all the town information, including meetings dates, times and minutes, licenses, permits, dog license, rental forms, recycling center hours, and much, much more! You can also stay up to date on the Stone Barn renovations and park development. Also, find us on Facebook at Chase Stone Barn.



2016 Election Dates

- February 16, 2016 - Spring Primary
- April 5, 2016 - Spring Election
- August 9, 2016 Partisan Primary
- November 8, 2016 General Election

Polling Location: Chase Community Hall 8481 County S, Poll hours: 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Registration, absentee ballot and general election information can also be found on the town website.

New Voter Information Website:
<http://myvote.wi.gov>

Public Postings

All town meetings are posted in the three town display boxes and on the town website. The display boxes are located at the Recycling Center, North Chase Citgo, and South Chase Saloon. In addition to the town display boxes, special notices (like elections) are posted in the official town newspaper, the Oconto County Reporter, and occasionally locally in the Pulaski News.



Remember keep all important Town information and phone numbers!

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Building Inspections

The Chase Ordinance requires inspections for all new 1 & 2 family homes, additions, or remodeling. There is a \$650.00 Impact Fee required for all new home construction. Permits are required for all new driveways. Construction deposits up to \$1000.00 may be required for building permits. Building permits are required for decks, accessory buildings, and finishing basements. For more information, please contact the Building Inspector, Barbara (Bobbie) Krozell at 715-853-3166. Applicable forms can be found on the town website.

Assessments/Open Book/Board of Review

In early May an open book for the Town of Chase will be held. At the open book you may view the local assessments and the Assessor will be available to answer any questions you may have. After the open book a board of review is held. You must file a form of objection to be heard by the Board of Review. Both the open book and board of review are by appointment only and can be scheduled by contacting the Clerk or Deputy Clerk. Notice of the Open Book and Board of Review date and time will be printed in the local paper and posted in the three town boxes. For questions or more information on your assessment, please contact Town Assessor, Robert DeMuth at 920-468-3081.

Town Hall /Stone Barn Rental

The Town Hall or Stone Barn Park is a GREAT place to have a party, family reunion, wedding reception, craft or rummage sale, etc. The hall can seat about 100 people and the Barn 450. The Hall has a kitchen and is equipped with a refrigerator, stove, oven, microwave, and coffee pots (you must provide your own utensils). There is a large open shelter with several picnic tables located behind the hall. To schedule a rental date, please call the Deputy Clerk, Jeanne Wroblewski at 920-822-3362. Rental forms are also available on the town website.

Dog Licenses

Yearly dog licenses are required for all dogs over 5 months of age. Dog license application forms are included in this newsletter and are also available through the town treasurer and on the town website. You should always have some type of ID on your dogs, especially puppies. Report all lost dogs to Sue Gracyalny, the town Animal Control Officer, at 920-822-2727, and also the local area Humane Societies. Post signs where the dog was last seen, and at all local businesses in your area. You may also want to place an ad in the local newspapers. If your unlicensed dog is picked up by Animal Control, you may be required to pay a pound fee and a new dog license fee. You will also have to show proof of rabies vaccination, and have a dog license ON the dog's collar before the dog will be released. It is the dog owner's responsibility to keep the dog on their property and provide the dog with adequate food, water and appropriate shelter.

Did you get your Lottery Credit?

If you resided in your home as of January 1, 2015, and it was your primary residence, then you are entitled to receive a lottery credit on your 2015 tax bill.

To see if you received the credit, look on your tax bill near the bottom of the 2015 column. If you received the credit, it will be \$92.83 (Pulaski School District) or \$109.46 (Oconto Falls School District) if you did not get the credit, it will be .00.

If you feel you are entitled to a lottery credit, do the following:

- 1) Call the Treasurer, Jolene Schwarm, at 920-822-3322 and request a Lottery Credit Application Card to be mailed to you. If you get the answering machine, please speak *clearly and slowly* and leave your name, address, parcel number, and phone number, and an application will be mailed to you.
- 2) Fill in the requested information. (Make sure to sign and date it.)
- 3) Deduct the lottery credit amount off the amount due on your tax bill.
- 4) Make your check payable to the Town of Chase Treasurer.
- 5) Mail application, tax payment, and copy of your tax bill to: Jolene Schwarm, 1330 Haywood Lane, Sobieski, WI 54171.

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Wish List for the Local Humane Societies

The Oconto County Humane Society is in desperate need of blankets, rugs, bleach, liquid detergent, paper towels, plastic bags, cat litter, cat and dog food, toys, rawhides, copy paper, etc. They are also in need of volunteers and cash donations. You may drop off items at the Oconto Area Humane Society, 150 South Katch Dr, Oconto, or the Chase Recycling Center during open hours. Please visit www.ocontoareahumane.org or www.townofchase.org for more info.

Old Land Fill

The old town landfill is a 40 acre parcel of with around 35 acres of hardwoods. The town plans to develop trails in the wooded area which can be used for things like nature walks, biking, bird watching, and cross-country skiing. The plans for the old landfill site, which is now a beautiful field surrounded by woods, includes a playground, shelter, picnic areas, and a sledding hill in the winter. The open field can be used for many kinds of recreational events. If you would like to help in the development of the park, please call the Park Commission Chairman Norb Reinhard Jr. at 920-822-8413.

Snow Obstructions on Roadways

By order of the Oconto County Highway Committee, pushing snow or other materials onto or across roadways can cause accidents and death and is prohibited by WI Statutes 86.1, and/or 346.94 (5). You will be held responsible for all penalties and liabilities if you do not comply.

Fire Numbers

Please do *not* move your fire number sign! The county requires that they be located near your driveway and the road, standing straight up and CLEARLY VISIBLE so that emergency vehicles are able to find your home.

Mail Boxes & Newspaper Receptacles

By order of the Oconto County Highway Committee, bases for mail boxes and receptacles shall be placed two feet from the back of the shoulder of the road; the box shall be 46 inches above the grade of the shoulder, and the front of the box shall not extend beyond the back of the shoulder of the road, and must be able to withstand flying snow and slush form traffic and snowplows. The Highway Department will not will not be held responsible for damaged mailboxes or receptacles if they were not installed properly.

Ornamental Stones on Culvert Pipe

By order of the Oconto County Highway Committee, decorative stones and other ornamental materials are prohibited within the road right-of-way, which is 33 feet from the centerline of the road. This includes decorative stones that cover the ends culvert pipes. These stones can obstruct the snow plow blade and cause damage to the blade, culvert pipe, and driveway.

Drainage Ditches

Property owners are asked to keep the drainage ditches on their property clean and clear of overgrowth, brush, and debris to keep the water flowing properly to avoid flooding or other issues.

Emergency Services



Pulaski Tri-County Fire Department

Chief: James Styczynski
Assistant Chief: Ken Wichlacz

Mailing:
P.O. Box 836
Pulaski, WI 54162

Station:
600 E Glenbrook Drive
Pulaski, WI 54162

Non-Emergency: 920-822-5392



N.E.W. PARAMEDIC RESCUE, INC.

Gold Cross Ambulance Service, Inc.

1055 Wittmann Drive
Menasha, WI 54952-3606

Contact: Mark Fredrickson,
Operations Director
920-967-6065

Non-Emergency:
920-727-3034
1-800-888-3838

N.E.W. Rescue Squad Building:
235 W. Pulaski Street
Pulaski, WI 54162
920-822-7600



Police:

Non-Emergency:
Oconto County Sheriff-920-834-6900

Pulaski Dispatcher – 920-822-5110

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Town Cemetery

The town cemetery is located at 1688 County Road C, Sobieski, WI 54171. Grave plots sell for \$250.00. For more information, please contact Robert Pott at 920-822-3898.

Emergency Management

The Town of Chase Emergency Management teams have been setup to develop emergency response plans to prepare and respond to emergencies within the town and surrounding communities. Members are assigned to different response teams and help with assigned duties in specific areas during an emergency. Emergency Management meetings are held several times per year to work on the response and disaster plans. Members attend NIMS and FEMA training classes. The teams are used for local emergency responses such as fire calls, emergency calls, and hazardous chemicals calls.

Recycling Information

Each resident is responsible for contracting their own hauler for garbage pickup. The Town has their own recycling and compost center where you can bring your garbage and composting for a minimal fee. Fees are posted at the recycling center and on the town website. Please note these fees are subject to change. Recycling is accepted according to Oconto County standards.

The recycling center is located next to the Chase Community Hall (Town Hall) on Cty Rd S, about 3 miles East of Hwy 32 and 1 mile West of Cty Rd C.

The compost center is located on Town Hall Rd off Cty Rd S across from the recycling center. You can bring stones, brush, grass clippings, leaves, and other yard compost to the town Compost Center. Please put your compost in its proper place and try to keep the area neat and clean. A Resident Compost Card is required and can be purchased at the Recycle Center. The compost card must be presented to the compost attendant when entering and using the site. The compost site is open the same hours as the recycle center and is normally open from spring to fall. The site is also open one day in January for Christmas tree recycling and the date and hours are posted at the recycle center and on the town website.

Recycling Hours:

Wednesday's	May 1 – Sept 30	2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday's	Oct 1 – Apr 30	12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturday's	May 1 – Sept 30	8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Saturday's	Oct 1 – Apr 30	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Burning Permits

You must obtain a burning permit. You are only allowed to burn **personal papers** in burning barrels; see the permit for a full list of restrictions. To get your FREE permit from an Emergency Fire Warden, go online or over the phone. You may also obtain a burning permit from the Oconto Falls Ranger Station. Don't forget – you must call the burning permit hotline 1-888-WIS-BURN (947-2876) or check the DNR website to obtain the current burning restrictions in your area if you wish to burn. It is also **highly** recommended that you call your local fire protection agency. The Pulaski non-emergency fire department number is 920-822-5392. Per Town Ordinance for fire cost reimbursement, the landowner will be charged for the actual cost of any fire runs. It is very important to take these steps to avoid unnecessary charges.

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TAX PAYMENT INFORMATION

HOW DO I PAY MY TAXES? By mail **ONLY**.

WHERE DO I MAIL MY TAX PAYMENT? During town tax collections (Dec – Jan 31st) mail your tax payment, along with your remittance stub to: Jolene Schwarm, 1330 Haywood Lane, Sobieski, WI 54171. All payments made after the town collections (after Feb 1st) get mailed to the Oconto County Treasurer, 301 Washington St., Oconto, WI 54153. INCLUDE A SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE IF A RECEIPT IS NEEDED.

CAN I PAY IN PERSON? No. Sorry, the treasurer will **not** be collecting taxes at the town hall and does **not** collect taxes at her home.

WHO DO I MAKE MY CHECK PAYABLE TO? Make checks payable to "TOWN OF CHASE TREASURER"

DO YOU TAKE CASH OR CREDIT CARDS? No.

DO YOU ACCEPT ESCROW CHECKS? Yes. Sign the back of your check if it is made out to both you AND the treasurer. If your escrow check is made out for more than your tax bill, a refund will be mailed back to you. If your escrow check is for less than your tax bill, you will need to submit another check for the difference.

HOW DO I CHANGE THE ADDRESS ON MY TAX BILL? Make the corrections on the tax stub that you mail in with your payment.

CAN I MAKE A HALF PAYMENT? Yes. You must pay at LEAST the 1st Installment (1st Half) shown on your tax bill by Jan 31. But you can pay the whole amount if you choose.

HOW DO I PAY MY PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES? All Personal Property tax payments are due IN FULL by Jan 31st.

DO POSTMARKS COUNT? Yes. If your payment is postmarked by Jan 31st, it will not be considered late.

HOW DO I PAY MY 2ND HALF? The 2nd Installment (2ND Half) is due by July 31st, to the Oconto County Treasurer. It is YOUR responsibility to remember to pay your 2nd half on time, as the county does NOT mail out reminder notices. Make check payable to the Oconto County Treasurer and mail to: Oconto County Treasurer, 301 Washington St, Oconto, WI 54153.

HOW DO I MAKE A LATE "REAL ESTATE" PAYMENT? Payments are late if they are not postmarked by Jan 31st. All late payments will be charged 1% interest per month on the unpaid balance. Make check payable to the Oconto County Treasurer and mail to: Oconto County Treasurer, 301 Washington St, Oconto, WI 54153.

HOW DO I MAKE A LATE "PERSONAL PROPERTY" PAYMENT? Payments are late if they are not postmarked by Jan 31st. All late payments will be charged 1% interest per month on the unpaid balance. Make check payable to the Town of Chase Treasurer (Not the County Treasurer) and mail to: Jolene Schwarm, 1330 Haywood Lane, Sobieski, WI 54171.

HOW DO I GET AN OVERPAYMENT REFUNDED? Refund checks will be issued only when the submitted check is for more than the FULL amount of the tax bill. Please allow 2-3 weeks to receive your refund check from the time you send in your payment.

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Directory

CHASE COMMUNITY CENTER	TOWN HALL	(920) 822-1560
TOWN CHAIRMAN	GARY VAN LANNEN	(920) 655-4277
SUPERVISOR	STEVE GOHR	(920) 822-1122
SUPERVISOR	DENNIS KROLL	(920) 822-5909
TOWN CLERK	TAMMY WILLEMS	(920) 822-1560/(920) 822-2529
TOWN DEPUTY CLERK	JEANNE WROBLEWSKI	(920) 822-3362 Home & Fax
TOWN TREASURER	JOLENE SCHWARM	(920) 822-3322
TOWN ASSESSOR	ROBERT DEMUTH	(920) 468-3081
RECYCLING SUPERVISORS	GARY VAN LANNEN NORB REINHARD JR. ROGER BLAIES	(920) 655-4277 (920) 822-8413 (920) 822-3736
PARK COMMISSION CHAIRMAN	NORB REINHARD JR.	(920) 822-8413
ANIMAL CONTROL	SUE & JOE GRACYALNY	(920) 822-2727
LOCAL ZONING OFFICER	JEFF PELEGRIN	(920) 883-0899
BUILDING INSPECTOR	BARBARA (BOBBIE) KROZELL	(715) 853-3166
PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER	ROBERT POTT	(920) 822-3898
OCONTO COUNTY ZONING		(920) 834-6827
OCONTO CTY TREASURER	TANYA PETERSON	(920) 834-6813

Recycling	Wednesday's	May 1 – Sept 30	2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
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	Saturday's	May 1 – Sept 30	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
	Saturday's	Oct 1 – Apr 30	10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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DOG LICENSE APPLICATION FORM  
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ALL DOGS 5 MONTHS OR OLDER ARE REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE LICENSED YEARLY. Owners that fail to license their dogs can be reported to the district attorney.

YEARLY DOG LICENSE FEES ARE DUE IN FULL BY JANUARY 31ST. You can send your payment with your property tax payment if you choose. If your dog is acquired after January 31ST, and is five months old or older, return the form below to the town treasurer to obtain the dog license. Additional forms are available on the town website.

ALL DOGS FOUR MONTHS AND OLDER ARE REQUIRED BY LAW TO HAVE A RABIES SHOT EVERY 3 YEARS. Make sure to include the date of the last rabies shot on your application form. If you are unsure of the date, please contact your vet.

OWNER'S NAME: _____		PHONE #1: _____
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: _____		PHONE #2: _____
DOG 1	DOG 2	DOG 3
DOG NAME:	DOG NAME:	DOG NAME:
COLOR:	COLOR:	COLOR:
BREED:	BREED:	BREED:
LAST RABIES SHOT:	LAST RABIES SHOT:	LAST RABIES SHOT:
CIRCLE ONE:	CIRCLE ONE:	CIRCLE ONE:
MALE \$ 25.00 NEUTERED MALE \$ 3.00	MALE \$ 25.00 NEUTERED MALE \$ 3.00	MALE \$ 25.00 NEUTERED MALE \$ 3.00
FEMALE \$ 25.00 SPAYED FEMALE \$ 3.00	FEMALE \$ 25.00 SPAYED FEMALE \$ 3.00	FEMALE \$ 25.00 SPAYED FEMALE \$ 3.00

MULTIPLE DOG LICENSES ARE \$ 35.00 AND INCLUDE 12 TAGS. CHECK TOTAL: _____ CHECK # _____
MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: TOWN OF CHASE TREASURER / MAIL FORM & CHECK TO: JOLENE SCHWARM, 1330 HAYWOOD LN, SOBIESKI, 54171
Effective Nov. 1, 2015 - If the dog is found with a license the pound fees for dogs at large in the Town of Chase will be a warning for the first offense \$40.00 for each offense after. If the dog is found with no license the pound fees for dogs at large in the Town of Chase will be \$40.00 for each offense and the dog will be required to have a license and a rabies shot.